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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:

HAJIME YAMAMOTO, ET AL.

Application No.: N/Y/A

Filed: Concurrently Herewith

For: FIBROUS MATERIAL,

PRODUCTION PROCESS OF

THE FIBROUS MATERIAL,

INK-ABSORBING MEMBER,

TREATING PROCESS OF THE

INK-ABSORBING MEMBER,

:

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Examiner:

Group Art Unit:

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

INK TANK CONTAINER AND

INK CARTRIDGE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

sir:

Prior to action on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 7, 9-11, 14-18, 23, 29, 30, 36,

38-40, 42, 46, 47, 49, 51, 59 and 61 - 63 as follows:

Claim 7, lines 1-2, change "any one of Claims 1 to

6" to --Claim 6--.

Claim 9, lines 1-2, change "any one of Claims 1 to 8" to --Claim 8--.